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Sent:

Friday, June 24, 2016 12:04 PM

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Subject:

FW: Search Results, Cody Rice for Joseph Callahan, 2016-008360 vs 2

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From: Rice, Cody

Sent: Friday, June 10, 2016 11:24 AM
To: Calvo, Kathy < Calvo.Kathy@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: Search Results, Cody Rice for Joseph Callahan, 2016-008360

In case you didn't get as a cc: from Lotus Notes.

Cody Rice 202.564.8769

From: Cody Rice [mailto:Rice.Cody@epamail.epa.gov] On Behalf Of Joseph\_Callahan/DC/USEPA/US

Sent: Tuesday, June 07, 2016 11:55 AM To: Rice, Cody <Rice.Cody@epa.gov>

Subject: Search Results, Cody Rice for Joseph Callahan, 2016-008360

21 potentially responsive records. Note that there are some embedded attachments.

Need to circle back with you and Scott on an issue where one of the industry contacts (Tim Presley) later asked that something in the call record not become part of the public record. The unredacted call notes are an attachment to the David Mancinelli email of 9/14/2010.

Cody Rice for Joseph M. Callahan OPPT/EETD/EPAB (202) 564-8793

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Cc. Joseph Callahan/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 09/14/2010 02:18 PM
Subject. EPA Lead Wheel Weights - Call Notes

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Date 09/14/2010 04:17 PM
Subject. EPA Rulemaking Schedule

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To. Anita Cummings/DC/USEPA/US@EPA, "Mark Aiken" < mark.aiken@plombco.com>

Cc. Joseph Callahan/DC/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 08/16/2010 08:43 AM

Subject:Re: Monday 8,16.10 / 9:00 am EST Teleconference with Plombco on Wheel Weights

Hi Anita, It will need to be @ 9:30 AM today, is that ok?

Mark AikenVice-President, Sales & MarketingPlombco Inc.Tel 450.371.8800 1.800.611.7074Fax 450.371.0812

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To: <mark.aiken@plombco.com>

Cc: <Callahan\_Joseph@epamail.epa.gov>

Subject: Monday 8.16.10 / 9:00 am EST Teleconference with Plombco on Wheel Weights

Mark.

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To: Mark Aiken <mark.aiken@plombco.com> From: Anita Cummings/DC/USEPA/US

Date: 08/13/2010 12:49PM

Subject: Teleconference on Wheel Weights

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Hi Joe,

Sorry I missed your call. I was out of the office until now. I can call in for the meeting at 9:30.

Thanks, Dave

Callahan.Joseph@e pamail.epa.gov

08/16/201C 08:54 AM David Mancinelli@abtassoc.com

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Cc: Anita Currmings/DC/USEPA/US@EPA, David Mancinelli@abtassoc.com
Date: 08/17/2010 01:33 PM
Subject. Options available to EPA

Hi Mike,

I am not a lawyer, so don't trust what I say here as gospel. Our part of EPA (the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics) operates under the authority of the Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA). By the language of this act and as ruled upon by Judicial decisions, we are required to examine multiple options or approaches and to select the one that in our judgment achieves our environmental and human health goals while also being the least burdensome option. TSCA lists a number of possible regulatory strategies, and by case law we are required to consider each of those different possibilities when considering an action. Further, Executive Order 12866 has been in force since 1993, and that order gives the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) authority to review and evaluate any regulatory action prior to adoption. OMB has developed their Circular A-4 which also lists a variety of approaches that they expect to see given consideration in any regulatory analysis. Not all of the possible options mentioned in TSCA or in Circular A-4 make sense in this particular case, but these should give you some idea of the scope of different types of action that we are required to consider.

For instance, the following authorities are all taken from the various subsections of TSCA section 6:

6(a)(2)(A) Prohibit the manufacture, processing, or distribution of a chemical for a particular use or for a particular use above some specified level.

[In other words, we could ban the use of lead in wheel weights, or ban lead above some certain concentration in wheel weights]

- 6(a)(3) Require warning labels.
- 6(a)(4) Impose record-keeping requirements and/or testing requirements.
- 6(a)(5) Prohibit or otherwise regulate any manner or method of commercial use of such substance.
- 6(a)(6) Prohibit or regulate disposal.
- 6(a)(7) Require public notification of risk, and require that manufacturers offer to replace or repurchase items from the public, if they so elect.

Note that there are other authorities in TSCA besides section 6 that might also be considered. In addition to these different options specifically mentioned in TSCA, the OMB Circular A-4 guidance recommends that the agency consider and evaluate these alternative regulatory approaches:

Different compliance dates.

Different enforcement methods.

Different degrees of stringency.

Different requirements for different sized firms.

Different requirements for different geographic regions.

Performance standards rather than design standards.

Market oriented approaches rather than direct controls.

Information measures rather than regulation.

I am sure that I have not covered all of the possibilities, but this should give you some idea of the span of different approaches that we may choose to consider. And again, as a matter of judicial ruling, under TSCA we are actually required to consider all the available options and then choose the least burdensome approach.

I hope this is helpful.

Joe

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Cc Joseph Callahan/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
Date 09/15/2010 10:06 AM
Subject: EPA Lead Wheel Weights - Call Notes

Mr. Lasenby,

I would like to thank you again for taking the time to discuss lead wheel weights with us. Joe Callahan and I have compiled a list of bullet points summarizing the information you provided to us on August 23, 2010. To ensure that we correctly represent the details of cur phone conversation, we would like to give you the opportunity to review these notes for accuracy. In addition, if you did not intend to have any of this information made available as part of the public record for a potential rulemaking, please let us know.

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Date 08/16/2010 03:49 PM

Subject: Re; Fw: Tuesday 8.17.10 @ 12:00 noon EST....Teleconference on Wheel Weights with Perfect Equipment

Thanks for arranging this call, Anita. I will be able to attend.

Dave

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Subject

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From: "Mike Astorino" <MAstorino@perfectequipment.com>

Date: 08/16/2010 12:26PM

Subject: RE: Teleconference on Wheel Weights

Anita,

I will be available to discuss the questionnaire on Tuesday, 12 noon EST

Mike

From: Cummings.Anita@epamail.epa.gov {mailto:Cummings.Anita@epamail.epa.gov

Sent: Monday, August 16, 2010 10:41 AM

To: Mike Astorino

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Date, 01/18/2011 11:38 AM
Subject; re: EPA Rolemaking Schedule

Hi Mark,

Sorry, there really isn't anything that I am permitted to say, except perhaps to just note that there has been no change from the expectations that I had expressed to you earlier.

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Joe

Joseph M. Callahan US EPA/OCSPP/OPPT/EETD/EPAB (202) 564-8793

Mark Aiken ---01/17/2011 09:56:57 AM---Hi Joseph. Any update on the rule making process and when we can expect to see something? Best r

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From "Mark Alken" <mark.aiken@plombco.com>
To. Joseph Callahan/DC/USEPA/US@EPA,
Date: 01/18/2011 11:57 AM
Subject: Re: EPA Rulemaking Schedule

Hi Joe,

Thanks for the update. I have checked the site and the NPRM has been moved to a projected date of 03/2012.

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From: Callahan.Joseph@epamail.epa.gov

Date: Tue, 18 Jan 2011 11:38:49

To: Mark Aiken<mark.aiken@plombco.com> Subject: re: EPA Rulemaking Schedule

Hi Mark,

Sorry, there really isn't anything that I am permitted to say, except perhaps to just note that there has been no change from the expectations that I had expressed to you earlier.

Joe

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From: Mark Aiken <mark.aiken@plombco.com>

To: Joseph Callahan/DC/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 01/17/2011 09:56 AM

Subject: re: EPA Rulemaking Schedule

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From: Callahan.Joseph@epamail.epa.gov

To: mark.aiken@plombco.com

Cc: David Mancinelli <David Mancinelli@abtassoc.com>

Date: Tue, 14 Sep 2010  $16:1\overline{9}:37 -0400$ 

Subject: EPA Rulemaking Schedule

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